

Application No. 10/786,8

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Dear Tejash Patel,

Please find the following regarding a response to the Office communication dated 2/21/2006 in regards to Application No. 1.0/786,837, filing date 02/25/2004, by the first named inventor of Kelly Marie Morrison-Gale, Confirmation No. 2961.

New (US 3,735,420) claims a reversible necktie where said necktie consists of at least 3 assemblage pieces made of cloth like material and at least one assemblage piece consisting of 'resilient form resembling a necktie knot'. Intengan (US 4,173,792) claims a no tie necktie that includes at least 3 assemblage pieces, with one assemblage piece resembling that of a shield that may be slid up and down the main necktie body once said shield has been fitted with a cloth like material.

The invention set forth by Morrison-Gale under application control number 10/786,837 contains a straightforward assemblage consisting of only 2 assemblage pieces that are reversible in nature. New's invention, though reversible in nature, does not provide for only two assemblage pieces. Furthermore, New's invention requires a more cumbersome approach to reversing the necktie itself. In order for New's necktie knot structure to be reversed one is required to completely remove the necktie knot structure and cumbersomely remove the knot structure fabric from the rigid knot structure section and reverse the conical knot structure fabric, then reapply said knot structure fabric to said rigid knot structure, then reapply the main body section and resecure said knot structure section to the neckband section of the necktie. The present invention requires a simple process of removing the necktie's knot structure, flipping (or reversing) said necktie's main body section while it still remains in place about the wearers neck, and reversibly reapplying the necktie's knot structure.

The invention set forth by Morrison-Gale under application control number 10/786,837 does not require a rigid knot structure assemblage component in addition to the material knot structure component. Intengan's invention requires a shield, as shown in figures 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12. Further, Intengan's invention as shown in figure 2, includes a knot panel structure that resembles a decagon, not an octagon, whereas the knot structure set forth in the present invention by Morrison-Gale is eight-sided.

I respectfully submit the aforementioned material in hopes that the claim rejection would be reviewed given the facts that I have set forth.